

**Community Development Committee  
Regular Meeting  
June 17, 2005 - 8:30 a.m.  
Tribal Office Board Room**

**1. Call to Order & Roll Call-**

Committee Chairman Ken A. Fish called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. Those present: Bernard Vigue, Dave Corn, Pat Corn, and Kim Komanekin was present for Rick Warrington. Those absent were, Susan Waukau, Rick Warrington, Jim Horton, Dave Grignon and David Hawpetoss. Also present for the meeting was, Renee Mahkimetas, Roberta Reiter, Brian Kowalkowski, Duane Waukau and James Reiter.

**2. Moment of Silence-**A moment of silence was observed.

**3. Review Minutes Dated May 20, 2005 -**

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to table. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**4. Discuss/Action on Variance Request for Debra Pocan-**

Committee reviewed the information that was presented and Bernie informed the committee that Debra would like to replace her old trailer with a new trailer but needs a variance because the trailer is more then 5 years old. Bernie assured the committee that the newer trailer is in much better condition than the current one and that the old one has some serious safety issues.

**Motion made by Dave Corn to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature approval of the Variance request for Debra Pocan. Motion was seconded by Bernard Vigue. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**5. Discuss/Action on Park & Recreation Playground Installation/Duane Waukau-**

Duane "Buckle" Waukau was present to request that the committee support his request in having the area around the Recreation Center designated for recreation. Currently Buckle stated that he has grant money to install equipment and would like assurance that once all the equipment is installed that it won't be taken away from them.

**Motion made by Dave Corn to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature that sections A, B, and C be designated for Recreation. Motion was seconded by Bernard Vigue. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**6. Discuss/Action on CMN Land Allocation Request-**

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to table. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**7. Discuss/Action on Youth Awareness Conference Request-**

Bernie informed the committee that the request is to use Sand Lake for a Youth Awareness Conference from August 8-11, 2005.

**Motion made by Dave Corn to approve the Youth Awareness Conference Request and send to Menominee Tribal Legislature for approval. Motion was seconded by Bernard Vigue. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**8. Discuss/Action on Cemetery Policy Draft & Procedure Draft-**

Bernie informed the committee that he wanted them to review the drafts and give their input on changes because the drafts were developed by NAES Students.

Committee feels there should be a fee added to the policy for maintenance costs. Committee would like to see community meetings held on the issue to get their input. Bernie stated that he will try and set up a community meeting.

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to table. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**9. Discuss/Action on Youth Culture Camp Request-**

Bernie informed the committee that every year the Historic Preservation holds a Youth Culture Camp at Wayka Falls and the request is to use the area for the camp.

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature approval of the Youth Culture Camp request to use Wayka Falls. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to go back to number six of the agenda. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**6. Discuss/Action on CMN Land Request-**

James Reiter from the casino was present to discuss CMN's Land Request to obtain the land across from CMN for educational use. At previous meetings committee was

concerned that the area is a prime retail area and if the Tribe is ever in the position to open any type of business the land wouldn't be available.

James Reiter looked over the CMN Land Request and would like time to review it. No action was taken.

**10. Land Lease Request/Dave Grignon-**

Bernie informed the committee that Dave Grignon is concerned because Theodore Gauthier may be requesting the use of more land behind his current property. Dave stated that there are burials in the area and the family with members buried there now is looking to bury more there in the future and Dave would like to make sure that the Gauthier request is denied.

Kim Komanekin stated that Theodore Gauthier is already encroaching on both neighbors property and that he has built 15 feet into sustained yield. Kim also stated that the neighbors are complaining because he has several horses in his yard.

No action was taken.

**11. Discuss/Action on Policies & Procedures for Hunting Shacks-**

Bernie stated that there is a problem with hunters having old shacks or using buses or old mobile homes and leaving them for the tribe to remove.

Committee briefly discussed the issue and will discuss the policies at future meetings.

**12. Discuss/Action on Recreation Lot Request-**

No discuss no action taken. The issue was already acted on under number 5 and the item will be taken off the next agenda.

**13. Easement Discussion-**

Bernie informed the committee that Susan Waukau is working with her neighbor on the easement and the item should be taken off the agenda.

**14. Discuss/Action on Selecting a New Community Committee Member-**

The reason the item is on the agenda is because the community member that was selected by the Menominee Tribal Legislature was David Hawpetoss and several meeting notices were sent to him and he never showed up to any meetings.

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature that a new Community Member for Community Development Committee be posted for due to the fact that the one that was chose has never attended a meeting since being selected. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**15. Committee Goals and Objectives-**

Committee discussed the issue and decided that since the Gas Station was approved their goals and objectives would be the C-Store, Cemetery and Tobacco.

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to set the C-Store, Cemetery Land and Tobacco as this year's Community Development Committee's goals and objectives. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**16. Updates on Tax Exempt Gas, C-Store and Recreation Lot Policies and Procedures-**

Chairman Fish informed the committee that the Gas Station ground breaking ceremony will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and everyone is welcome to attend.

At the next meeting Chairman Fish would like an update and discussion on the C-Store.

Bernie informed the committee that the Recreation Lot Policies and Procedures are still being reviewed by the Legal Department.

**17. Other Business-**

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to hear the presentation by Derkson & Sons regarding tobacco under Other Business. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

The Tribe's current Tobacco Distributor Derkson & Sons would like the Tribe to become partners. Committee listened to the presentation and would like a lot more information and discuss the issue further at a special meeting.

Committee set the special meeting for July 6, 2005 at 8:30 am and would also like to discuss recreation lots.

Renee Mahkimetas was present and asked the committee if they would allow her and her department to review all business proposals before they come to the committee. Chairman Fish stated that he likes the idea. Bernie stated that maybe there should be a team consisting of Bernie, Renee Mahkimetas, Carrie Grignon, Wilmer Peters and Mary James formed to go over all business proposals. No action was taken on the issue.

**18. Adjournment-**

**Motion made by Bernard Vigue to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.**

**Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by  
Legislative Staff Services